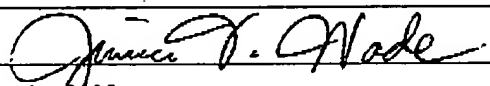



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Dear Sir:

This reply is in response to the Notice to Comply mailed on November 14, 2005.

The Applicants request that the amendments as described herein be entered.

Status of the Claims.

Claims 1-8 and 10-17 are pending in the Application. Claims 9 and 18-31 have been canceled.

Amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.